

Washington, DC -- U.S. Rep. Michael A. Arcuri (D-Utica) announced today that he secured \$750,000 in congressionally-directed funding for projects in Chenango County, including renovation of the Norwich wastewater treatment plant and the Chase Memorial Nursing Home. These funds were included in a fiscal year 2009 funding bill, which passed the House of Representatives today.

“Since taking office, I have worked with local officials to secure the necessary funding to upgrade the Norwich treatment plant and provide safe and clean water for all area residents,” **Arcuri said**

. “I am thrilled to see federal funds coming back to our area to invest in critical water infrastructure, as well as help provide housing for area seniors. I will continue to fight in Congress to make sure local residents have the best possible services.”

Arcuri secured \$500,000 for the City of Norwich to replace and renovate the Norwich Wastewater Treatment Plant. The plant serves 9,000 people, including a large portion of the Town of Norwich’s commercial area, and is also the main pump-out facility for the rural parts of the county using septic systems.

Arcuri also secured \$250,000 for Chase Memorial Nursing Home’s “Chase Green House Project” renovation. Funds will be used for the construction of 8 self-contained homes each designed to accommodate 10 individuals requiring skilled nursing care. These homes will replace the existing 80-bed nursing home, which was constructed nearly 40 years ago and is functionally obsolete.

The funds secured by Arcuri are included in the fiscal year 2009 Omnibus Appropriations Act, which now heads to the Senate.

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